

NOTES ON THE WEATHER FOR DECEMBER 1963

General: December was a dry, windy month over the greater part of the country. In Northland it was the third successive month of dry weather and in many areas pasture growth was poor, with declining dairy production. Conditions were also very dry in Nelson and Marlborough.

Some sheep were lost in Canterbury due to heavy rain with cold temperatures on the 20th.

Rainfall: Over the greater part of the country rainfall was less than three-quarters of the average value. The greatest deficits were recorded in Marlborough and Nelson.

By contrast, on the East Coast rainfall was two to five times the average value. It was also somewhat above average in Bay of Plenty and eastern Waikato, Northern and Central Hawke's Bay; and on Banks Peninsula and the North Canterbury coast. On Banks Peninsula and about Christchurch some exceptionally heavy falls were reported on the 20th—over 6 in. at Lyttelton, and 14 in. at Pigeon Bay. Flooding occurred in some of these areas.

Temperatures: Temperatures were more than 2 degrees below average in South Otago and Southland, and also in some inland parts of North Canterbury and Marlborough. Elsewhere they were mainly a degree cooler than average, except over most of the Auckland Province, where they were close to normal.

Sunshine: Sunshine was above average in eastern and northern districts of the South Island and also in North Taranaki, mainly by 20–40 hours. New Plymouth and Nelson were particularly favoured, with a surplus of more than 50 hours. By contrast, Gisborne and parts of Hawke's Bay had 30–40 hours below normal; and most of Southland had 20–25 hours below normal.

Weather Sequence: A small depression which had been over Northland at the end of November persisted there initially in December. During the first two days a trough of low pressure crossed the country, followed later by a southerly change with cooler temperatures. Rain was reported in most districts.

A spell of settled weather followed from the 3rd to the 6th as a belt of high pressure moved across New Zealand; but Fiordland and Bay of Plenty received some rain at first. For most of the country the settled weather persisted for another five days. However, a depression to the north caused rain in Northland and eastern districts of the North Island as it moved down the east coast; while a trough to the south caused rain at times in Fiordland on the Southland coast, and in parts of Canterbury and Otago.

A trough which crossed the South Island on the 12th and 13th was accompanied by rain, except inland and in Marlborough and Nelson. During the next three days the trough was almost stationary over the North Island, with some rain in most districts. There were considerable falls in Bay of Plenty.

During the 17th and 18th another trough of low pressure moved rapidly over the South Island to become stationary over the North Island, and a depression developed on it and moved on to Northland. Many districts received some rain. However, the rain became more general during the 19th and 20th with a deep depression to the east and a cold front crossing the country. Very heavy rain fell around Christchurch, and there were considerable falls also in Bay of Plenty, Waikato, and Northland.

For the next four days pressures remained low to the east, with south-westerly winds over New Zealand. Showers were reported in some districts, mainly light. A ridge of high pressure brought mainly fair weather on Christmas Day.

For the last six days of the month westerly conditions predominated, with pressures very low to the south and high to the north. The West Coast and Taranaki received considerable rain, and many other districts reported some rain. However, the weather was mainly fair on the 27th and 28th, under the influence of an anticyclone over the North Tasman Sea.

R. G. SIMMERS, Director.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES

In Bankruptcy

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are now payable on all proved claims in the under-mentioned estates as at 15 January 1964:

- Anderson, J. N., of 6 Moana Avenue, Onehunga, drainlayer. First and final dividend of 10½d. in the pound.
- Houlihan, P. J., of 8 Wallingford Street, Grey Lynn, apartment house proprietor. First and final dividend of 1½d. in the pound.
- Lowry, B. K., of Claremont Avenue, Paeroa, builder. Supplementary and final dividend of 5½d. in the pound.
- McGregor, L., of 10 Sarsfield Street, Herne Bay, moulder. First and final dividend of 5½d. in the pound.
- McKenzie, A. B., of 17 Gladwin Road, Epsom, carpenter. First and final dividend of 2s. in the pound.
- McLachlan, H., of Royal Court, 1A Wynyard Street, Auckland, packer. Supplementary and final dividend of 1½d. in the pound.
- Maguire, V. E., of 13 Valonia Street, Avondale, driver. First and final dividend of 1s. in the pound.
- Moore, Geo., care of M. Dudley, formerly of 52 Watts Road, Manurewa, factory worker. First and final dividend of 5s. in the pound.
- Moore, R., of 2 Shaw Road, Takapuna, labourer. First and final dividend of 6s. 4d. in the pound.
- O'Connor, G. P., of 39 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, driver. Supplementary and final dividend of 1½d. in the pound.
- Reilly, F. D., care of Cornwall Hospital (staff), Auckland, kitchen hand. First and final dividend of 14s. 3d. in the pound.
- Robertson, R. L., of 9A Aorere Street, Parnell, general contractor. First and final dividend of 1s 3½d. in the pound.
- Rodley, M. H., of 23 Taylor Street, Avondale, milk bar proprietor. First and final dividend of ¼d. in the pound.
- Rogers, L. G., of 13 Lambeth Road, Mount Eden, engineer. First and final dividend of 2s. 2d. in the pound.
- Ropiha, M., of Park Estate Road, Papakura, labourer. First and final dividend of 4s. 3½d. in the pound.
- Rush, L. J., 18 Davenport Street, Avondale. First and final dividend of 5s. in the pound.
- Scott-Walton, R. A., of 121 Cornwall Street, Blockhouse Bay, factory worker. First and final dividend of 3s. 8½d. in the pound.
- Smith, R. F., of 136 Peary Road, Mount Eden, builder. First and final dividend of 3s 2½d. in the pound.
- Sowry, F. H., and Sowry, R. E. (partners) of Kati Kati, farmers. Second and final dividend of 2s. 9½d. in the pound.
- Thompson, C. S., of Taneatua, labourer. Supplementary and final dividend of 2s. 3½d. in the pound.
- Watling, W., of Dunkirk Road, Panmure, painter. First and final dividend of 2½d. in the pound.
- Wilkinson, J. B., of 9 Randolph Street, Newton, taxi driver. First and final dividend of 1½d. in the pound.

Williams, L. F., of 12 Mount Roskill Road, Mount Roskill, painter and decorator. Second and final dividend of 10d. in the pound.

Williams, R., of Takanini Road, Takanini, timber worker. First and final dividend of 4s. 2d. in the pound.

Wood, J. W., of 8 Morris Avenue, Papatoetoe, panelbeater. Supplementary and final dividend of 2s. 4½d. in the pound.

Young, A. H., of 2 Billington Avenue, Otara, electrician. First and final dividend of 2s. 10½d. in the pound.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are now payable on all proved claims in the under-mentioned estates:

Hatton, Robert James, of 10 Heath Street, Hamilton, freezing worker. First and final dividend of 2s 2½d. in the pound.

Linn, Barry George, of Waharoa, driver. Second and final dividend of 4d. in the pound.

McCaskill, Celena Mary, of Tokoroa, married woman. Third and final dividend of 9d. in the pound.

Rogers, Jack, of 68 Jellicoe Drive, Hamilton, plasterer. First and final dividend of 1s. 7½d. in the pound.

H. G. WHYTE, Official Assignee.

Courthouse, Hamilton, 14 January 1964.

In Bankruptcy

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are now payable on all proved claims in the under-mentioned estates:

Holden, Trevor Lionel, of 46 Collingwood Street, Hamilton, cleaner. First and final dividend of 20s. in the pound.

Mackrell, George Maurice, of Masefield Drive, Hamilton, driver. Second dividend of 5s. in the pound.

H. G. WHYTE, Official Assignee.

Courthouse, Hamilton, 16 January 1964.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

CARL JOHN PETER NEILSON, of 55 Seddon Road, Hamilton, hospital orderly, was adjudged bankrupt on 17 January 1964. Creditors' meeting will be held at the Courthouse, Hamilton, on Friday, 31 January 1964, at 11 a.m.

H. G. WHYTE, Official Assignee.

Hamilton, 17 January 1964.